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TAGS: PFOR LE, US

SUBJECT: CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE ON U.S. POLICY RE  
LEBANESE PARTITION

REF: BEIRUT 0032

1. DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN HAS BEEN PROVIDED WITH  
CONTINGENCY GUIDANCE PARA 2 BASED ON REFTEL WHICH THE  
EMBASSY CAN ALSO USE IN ANY WAY AT ANY TIME IT SEES FIT.  
AS A MATTER OF PRACTICE, WE DO NOT PLANT QUESTIONS HERE  
IN NOON BRIEFING SINCE SUCH TACTIC HAS NOT PROVED PRODUCTIVE.

2. QUOTE

Q. IS THE U.S. INDIFFERENT TO PARTITION AS A SOLUTION TO  
LEBANON'S POLITICAL ILLS, AS ALLEGED BY SOME LEBANESE  
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POLITICIANS?

A. THE U.S. HAS REPEATEDLY EXPRESSED ITS SUPPORT FOR THE  
  
TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND UNITY OF LEBANON, AS IN THE  
SECRETARY'S LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER KARAME OF NOVEMBER  
5, 1975. IT FOLLOWS, THEREFORE, THAT THE UNITED STATES  
DOES NOT CONSIDER PARTITION A SOLUTION TO LEBANON'S  
TRAGIC PROBLEM. END QUOTE. KISSINGER UNQUOTE  
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